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ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

Kaifes hospitalized after car accident

Lady Lions react to temporary loss of new basketball coach

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Missouri Southern women's basketball coach Carrie Kaifes was hospitalized early Tuesday after a car accident just south of Pittsburg, Kan.

Kaifes, entering her first year as the Lady Lions' head coach after two years as an assistant, was listed in fair condition Wednesday by Mt. Carmel Medical Center

officials. The 32-year-old reportedly suffered a broken collar bone and pelvis, as well as a ruptured bladder which was operated on Tuesday afternoon. She could be released from the intensive care unit as soon as today.

According to Cherokee County sheriff's deputy Terry Clugston, one of the first officers at the scene of the accident, Kaifes was driving southbound just south of the junction of Kansas Highways 160 and 69 around 5 a.m. when she apparently swerved to avoid



Carrie Kaifes

something. Her 1988 white Buick hit the ditch and rolled two or three times.

Kaifes was found more than 100 feet from the vehicle.

"She was there for a while [before she was found]—the exact time I'm not sure," Clugston said. "She was semi-conscious but she didn't know exactly what had happened. I think she got hit awfully hard."

Clugston said Kaifes was lying on her right side when she was discovered in an apparent attempt to ease the pain.

Eric Kaifes, her brother and assistant coach, will run the team until she is ready to return, which could be six to eight weeks.

Kaifes took over as head coach this sum-

mer when Scott Ballard resigned to take the head job at Central Missouri State University.

Several Lady Lion basketball players waited at the hospital for word that Kaifes would be all right.

One of those athletes was junior Mandy Shaw.

"Once we found out she was all right, we were very relieved," Shaw said. "We never wanted something like this to happen, but all things considered, we were glad she was going to be OK."

Shaw said the team plans to try to turn the incident into a positive motivator for itself.

"A couple of us have talked about it. If

anything, it can turn into a motivation tool," she said.

Freshman guard Mandy Olson said the entire team was pulling for Kaifes.

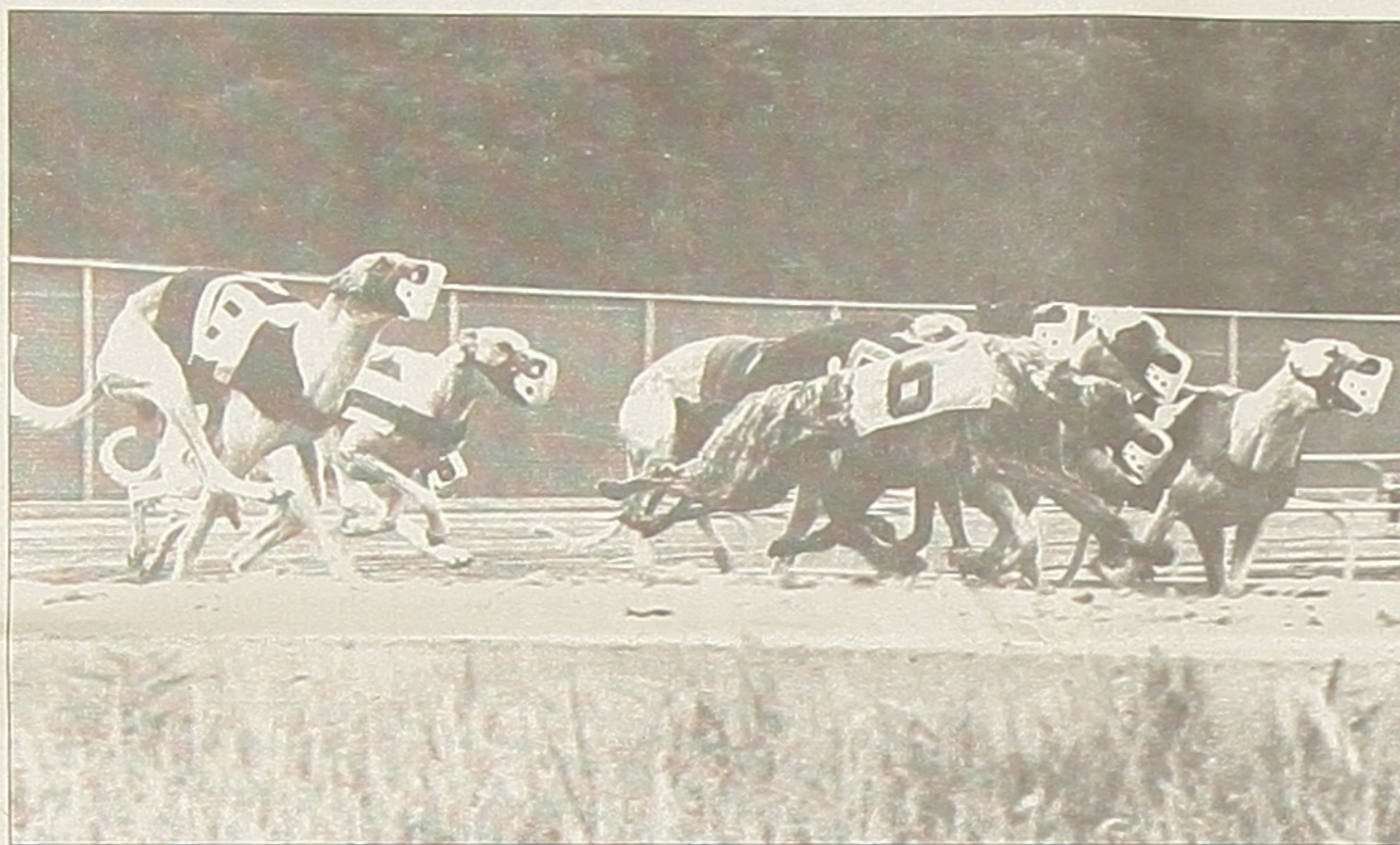
"She's a real fighter," Olson said. "[Eric Kaifes] told us she was in a good mood today. He also told us she told him to work us into shape. I think it's great that she's thinking of us because we're really thinking of her."

Shaw said she doesn't expect the incident to interrupt the progress of the team.

"We're getting ready," she said. "Business as usual. So far we've accepted what he (Eric Kaifes) has to say. He's accepted the role and we're his players."

"We're going to do what has to be done." □

A CLOSER LOOK



DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

Officials say Camptown Park is not doing as well as expected since its opening three months ago just outside Pittsburg, Kan.

Camptown expectations fall short

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Despite the many fans who visit Camptown Park in Frontenac, Kan., park officials say it is not enough.

Vicky Johnson, director of group sales, said the racetrack is not doing as well as expected in the three months since it opened.

"We're below what we really wanted to do," she said. "We just don't have enough money flow."

Park officials say attendance is down because bettors are passing up the races for faster-paced entertainment like the riverboat casinos.

"This is a \$7 million outfit here," said Belinda VanHouten, reservationist. "People

don't understand that the money this brings in can go to help the Kansas schools. It would help the whole area, especially if they get the slot machines put in."

Johnson said a majority of the people attracted by the park come from Missouri.

"We do a license plate count," she said. "After Missouri, most of the people come from Kansas, Oklahoma, and then Arkansas."

Joplin Mayor Ron Richard believes Joplin's population contributes a fair amount to the park.

"I think Joplin is supporting it, as far as I can tell," he said. "I think it is in a poor location because the people from Springfield and other major metropolitan areas can't get to it." □

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JUSTICE SYSTEM

Bill cracks down on youth offenders

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

Some people view Missouri's Juvenile Crime Bill as a much needed measure to crack down on serious crime committed by minors.

Under the new legislation, courts can now determine whether to try children of any age as adults for committing certain felonies such as first- or second-degree murder, first-degree assault, rape, sodomy, first-degree robbery, or drug distribution.

The Crime Bill's changes, which are among 144 non-budgetary bills signed by Gov. Mel Carnahan to become law on Aug. 28, will make juvenile certification hearings mandatory. Certain hearings will now become open to the public and non-identifying information available to the press. It also allows for juveniles to be fingerprinted and photographed without a court order.

The new law also allows the Division of Youth Services to hold young offenders until they're 21 instead of having to release them at age 18 with their clean records.

Perhaps the incident which moved the new legislation through the legislature was the killing of two security guards by two teens at the Lake of the Ozarks in December. One of the teens, who was 13 at the time, would have to be released under state law from the Division of Youth Services' custody with a clean record when he turned 18.

The criminal justice department held a seminar in Matthews Hall auditorium Wednesday focusing on the key provisions of the bill and the effect they will have on Missouri.

Richard Spencer, who serves on the board of directors of the

Missouri Juvenile Justice Association, spoke on child protection at the seminar.

Spencer, instructor of criminal justice at Missouri Southern, alluded to the rapid deterioration of society over the past 40 years.

Back then, he said, the major problems committed by youth were truancy and running away from home as compared to the murder and gang-related crimes of today.

"This bill has really revolutionized the juvenile justice system in Missouri," Spencer said. "We haven't had any major changes since the 50s, so we're kind of catching up with the times."

"On the whole, I think it's a very positive step."

He noted the old juvenile code wasn't written with today's serious problems in mind, and a change was necessary.

"I think we're seeing younger offenders commit more violent crimes," Spencer said. "The key here is that the courts still have the discretion whether or not to transfer the case to an adult court."

Tricia Scott, assistant professor of law enforcement, said some of the provisions under the bill will require funding that's not yet available.

"With any new legislation it's going to take people awhile to sort it out and try to understand how they're going to implement it," Scott said.

The bill introduces the idea of dual jurisdiction, now effective only in the state of Minnesota. Essentially, this provides a mandatory hearing of a 17-year-old offender by an adult court judge. The judge will determine if the crime merits a jail term or simply calls for probation, counseling. □

HIGHER EDUCATION

CBHE hires new commissioner

Dr. Stroup to fill void left by Dr. McClain

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Dr. Kala M. Stroup officially took over as commissioner of the Coordinating Board for Higher Education Tuesday, replacing Dr. Charles McClain.

McClain, who held the position for six years, left some big shoes to fill for Stroup, who was named to the position in June.

"We all build on what is put on us," Stroup said. "Missouri is a fine state with a very fine education system."

Prior to taking the CBHE post, Stroup served a five-year stint as president of Southeast Missouri State University, where she oversaw the university's first-ever capital campaign. The campaign produced more than \$28.5 million in gifts and pledges.

Stroup said her experience in higher education will serve as a catalyst for her work.

"I am pretty familiar with the responsibilities," she said. "I've been involved in higher education for a number of years. I've been the president of two universities, and I have a working knowledge of the state government system."

Working with the state government traditionally has been a major priority, she said.

"I've worked with Congress and I've also worked with the legislatures in three states," Stroup said.

From 1983-90, Stroup was president of Murray (Ky.) State University. Prior to that, she was vice president for academic affairs at Emporia (Kan.) State University. She holds

bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees from the University of Kansas.

The CBHE organized a search for a new commissioner last year, but found no one to take the position. In February, however, the Board went outside the state to an independent search company, Korn/Ferry International, who found Stroup.

"A number of people suggested it to me toward the end of the search last May," she said. "I really looking forward to working together [with the other members of the CBHE] to make higher education a major player in the state."

Dr. Julio Leon, Missouri Southern's president, said he applauded the decision to hire Stroup.

"I think that she's going to do a great job," Leon said. "She is an experienced president and she knows the higher education system in Missouri."

One of Stroup's first tasks will be to review the College's proposal relating to Southern's international mission. □



Kala Stroup

CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

Health group seeks members

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A new kind of student organization geared toward health education and awareness has taken root at Missouri Southern and seeks members to make its vision a reality.

People involved in the Student Health Outreach Team, called SHOT, will work to promote healthy lifestyles and give student input into health programs offered on campus.

"This is an interdisciplinary approach to student health," said Julia Foster, coordinator of health services and adviser to the club. "Our first objective will be to do a needs assessment of the campus community to find out the health needs and wellness gaps. I also envision them promoting different topics throughout the year, like the Great American Smokeout in November."

Janelle Burns, senior political science major, will be the club's president.

"Never before have students had such an opportunity to become involved in health services and programs," Burns said. "We're look-

ing for a good cross-section of students from the different schools across the campus to participate."

The students involved in SHOT will become peer educators. Foster said other colleges and universities have peer-education groups and they have been successful.

"We want peers to teach peers enough so they can educate others about having a healthy lifestyle and can deal with problems like smoking, drinking, or depression."

Foster said this program has been an idea for several years, but other things have taken priority until now.

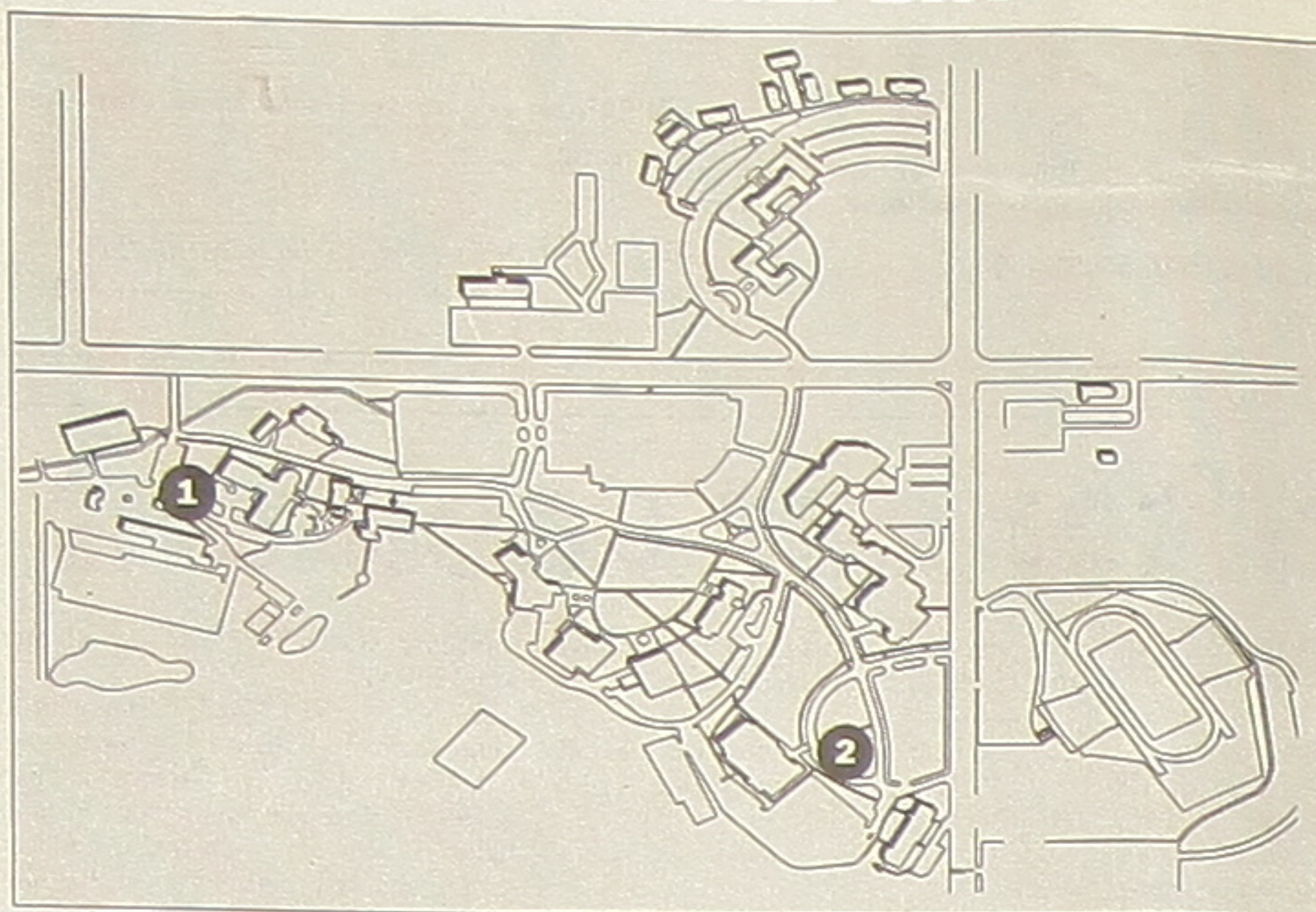
"Some people have limited knowledge about health," she said. "When you're in college, many of the patterns you develop become habits. It's good for students to become educated now."

The program is not yet a recognized student organization.

"We have a constitution," Foster said. "All we need are members."

Interested students can attend a meeting at 1 p.m. tomorrow in Room 311 of the Billingsly Student Center. □

SECURITY REPORT



- 1** 8/29/95 SECURITY 7:20 a.m. A female student reported she was harassed on her way to school and on campus by a white male student who made obscene gestures and language while driving next to her.
- 2** 8/30/95 LOT 10 10:52 a.m. Celesta Wilson and her Mercedes Benz were involved in a fender bender with Michelle Whitehead and her Nissan.

HELEN S. BOYLAN FOUNDATION

Symposium to feature columnist Molly Ivins

Speech will focus on political humor

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

The featured speaker at this year's Helen S. Boylan Symposium will be none other than Molly Ivins.

Ivins, a nationally-syndicated political columnist based at the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, will speak on political humor. The event will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Webster Hall auditorium. It is free and open to the public.

Annetta St. Clair, associate professor of political science and the symposium's coordinator, has



Molly Ivins

been planning Ivins' speech since November. Southern's social science department and the Helen S. Boylan Foundation are sponsoring Ivins' visit to campus.

"We've had very serious speakers in the past, and we decided going for a person who could provide insights with political humor might be interesting for students," St. Clair said.

"Education is not all totally serious business."

Ivins has many prestigious achievements to her credit. She is a three-time Pulitzer Prize finalist, winner of the 1995 Headliners Award for the best column in Texas, and author of the best-selling book *Molly Ivins Can't Say That, Can She?*

Ivins also does occasional commentary work for the *MacNeil-Lehrer News Hour* and National Public Radio.

"I hope the audience will gain an appreciation of the fact that

women are integral players in the governmental process," St. Clair said. "And through Molly Ivins, the audience will be able to see another way of looking at government."

In conjunction with the symposium, the Annie Baxter Award will be presented at an invitation-only luncheon the following day.

The award was created by the Helen S. Boylan Foundation and funded by the Empire District Electric Company. It is given to a woman who has been instrumental in encouraging women in local government.

Past recipients of the award have varied from Jasper County clerk Marjorie Bull to Harriet Woods, who was head of the National Women's Political Caucus.

"And the award is always a secret," St. Clair said. "We don't tell the media who is going to get the award before the luncheon." □

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STUDENT SENATE

Paper ballots boost voter turnout

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After the elections on Tuesday and Wednesday, the Student Senate will begin anew this year with 36 senators chosen by the student body.

Turnout for the elections was 354, up 37 from last year.

Senate President John Weedn said the increase might be attrib-

uted to the fact a roving ballot box was used instead of the computer.

"We got probably 70 to 80 people in places like the Justice Center or the education building who might not have voted," he said. "People in those majors hardly ever make it over to Billingsly."

Weedn said using the voting computer is still a possibility for the Homecoming elections.

"It's easier in one way to use the

computer because it tallies the votes automatically," he said. "But it isn't possible to hook up computers in all of the buildings yet."

Thirty-nine students (17 freshmen, five sophomores, seven juniors, and 10 seniors) competed for positions at the table in the House of Lords Room.

Those selected are:

Freshmen—Jeremiah Nickels, Hannah Mitchell, Julie Chapman,

Joshua Phillips, Jeff Bader, Sandy Fisk, Christopher (Chip) Gubera, Tori Vicsik, and Brandon Fuhr.

Sophomores—Lydia Meadows, Jason Talley, Nicole Berkner, Eden Marie Aber, Ruth Wood, and write-in Anthony Martin.

Juniors—Alan Brady, Mike Williams, Spencer Beck, Grant Miller, Jill Bever, Wendy Rich, Lisa Ross, Gary Crites, and write-in Dan Lee.

Seniors—Debra Miller, Derrick Good, Stacy Schoen, Vickie Crowder, Shelby Hesterly, Candi Vincent, Carol Bowden, Cara Forgey, and Clarissa Shumaker.

Weedn said the Senate is planning some new activities for the coming year, including a Senate Week Sept. 25-30.

On Sept. 27, the group will have its weekly 5:30 p.m. meeting in the Connor Ballroom. □

SOUTHERN
NEWS
BRIEFS

BFI of Springfield set to handle recycling

Recycling at Missouri Southern has taken a different path the last few years.

The current program has been in effect for five years, but it deals only with certain kinds of paper.

"We used to recycle cans, but participation dropped off with that program so we stopped doing it," said Bill Boyer, chief of security.

Southern has changed recycling companies from Tamko Asphalt Products in Joplin to BFI Inc. of Springfield.

"Before, we were taking extra-heavy loads to Tamko to dispose of," Boyer said. "Now, BFI supplies us with the proper facilities, and they even fund us for certain kinds of paper."

Boyer said anyone can recycle used paper at the computer laboratories in Matthews Hall, the Learning Center, the admissions office, the business office, and office services.

"Most of them are in the department offices where the most paper is used," Boyer said.

Cindy Wolfe, intramurals director, has enlisted various departments across campus to help fund Southern's intramurals program by recycling cans. She said she raised \$75 to \$100 last year.

"We were collecting in the dorm area, but it was a hassle and we didn't get a very good response," Wolfe said. "I don't think we will be doing that this year."

Wolfe said the hassle wasn't exactly from lack of participation.

"People would keep putting chew cups and trash in the boxes," she said. "Cleanliness was a problem."

Wolfe has three boxes in Young Gymnasium and she gets help from various people across campus.

"Ron Foster, from office services, keeps a box in his office and calls me when it gets full," she said. "A majority of the help comes from the faculty and staff." □

Seminars involving workplace start Sept. 9

Issues involving conflict in the workplace and between businesses are of growing importance according to the instructor of a series of seminars on conflict resolution being offered this fall by the continuing education division at Missouri Southern.

The first seminar is on sexual harassment and awareness and takes place from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 9 in Webster Hall Room 105.

Other seminars scheduled are "Resolving Employee Conflicts," Saturday, Sept. 23 and "Keeping Your Small Business Out of Court" on Saturday, Oct. 14 seminar takes place in Webster Hall Room 114. □

Placement office plans employment workshop

The career planning and placement office at Missouri Southern is sponsoring a career planning workshop from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 21 in Matthews Hall auditorium.

The workshop will feature information about becoming marketable in the new economy, necessary tools for a job search and successful interviewing.

The session will cover the latest employment and business trends, the most effective written business communications, and the most effective interviewing skills.

The workshop is free. For additional information, persons may contact the career planning and placement office at (417) 625-9343. □

WISE group to visit Renaissance Festival

WISE group to travel to Nelson-Atkins Museum and Renaissance Festival on Saturday, Sept. 9.

People need to sign up by Thursday, Sept. 7 with Karen Bigbee in the education department office. The fee is \$10, with a refundable amount of \$5 on the date of departure. □

STUDENT LIFE

SPINNING WHEELS:

Students sway College to allow rollerblading

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Student requests triggered an Aug. 31 announcement by College officials that rollerblading would now be allowed on campus.

Rollerblading and skateboarding were previously prohibited at Missouri Southern because they attracted outsiders to the campus, said Doug Carnahan, dean of students.

"The issue came up several years ago when students from off-campus were skateboarding on campus," he said. "So, we were running those people off. At that time not very many of our students were doing it."

"Now, with growing on-campus student interest, we are going to allow it."

But before students can strap on their skates or hop on their skateboards, they must sign a waiver releasing the College of all liability resulting from injuries caused by skateboarding or rollerblading. Students can sign the waiver at the security office or at the McCormick and Blaine Hall offices in the residence halls.

Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, said Southern had been concerned about the students' safety but realized the growing popularity of the sports.

"It has always been a concern about the liability towards the College," he said. "But I think it's not any more dangerous here than anywhere else."

With campus security failing to permit students to spin their

The Basic Facts

WHEN AND WHERE: You can rollerblade or skateboard at any time day or night on campus grounds.

WHO: You must be a student of the College, but you do not have to live in the residence halls. For security reasons please carry student ID while rollerblading or skateboarding.

WAIVER: You can sign a waiver releasing the College of all liability at the security office, or in the residence halls.

wheels on campus, several students went to the College administration last week and voiced the need to find a way to allow rollerblading on campus.

Kelly Jo Ellis, a junior business major, said the College did not realize the popularity of the sport and did a good job finding a quick answer to please the student body.

"I think the main reason we could not roller blade before now was because of liability towards the College," she said. "The reason they changed it was because of growing student interest, and before now I just think it wasn't very popular."

Students find rollerblading appealing because the sport is relatively new and is a good way to have fun on campus without spending any money.

"I can have fun and learn the sport at the same time," said Shawn Gerdman, senior criminal justice major.

Cara Forgey, senior criminal justice major, said she sees the sports as an excellent way to stay in shape.

"It is a great way to exercise with a group of friends," she said. "It's clean fun that anyone can do at anytime." □

It has always been a concern about the liability towards the College. But I think it's not any more dangerous here (Southern) than anywhere else.

Dr. John Tiede
Senior vice president



ABOVE: Residence hall students Kelly Jo Ellis (front), junior business major; Debbie Hokanson (second), freshman undecided; Cara Forgey (third), senior criminal justice major; and Elizabeth Lovland, senior music education major, make a rollerblade train in front of McCormick Hall.

LEFT: Kelly Jo Ellis takes a flying leap and shows some fancy stuff in front of McCormick Hall. Rollerblading was allowed on campus last week for all Missouri Southern students.

Photos by Deborah Solomon

INTERNET

E-mail rapidly becoming new wave of communication

Mailing system gaining popularity with students, faculty

By STEPHANIE GOAD
STAFF WRITER

Electronic mail is rapidly becoming the world's most popular way of communication.

This new way of sending and receiving mail, short-termed E-mail, is gaining popularity at Missouri Southern, according to Steve Earney, assistant vice president for information services.

Earney said this new wave of communication occupies 70 to 80

percent of all Internet use.

"Most of the faculty are on it, and we have several students using it," he said.

Earney said some classes at Southern require students to hook up to the World Wide Web in order to help them become more informed about the new system.

He said access to the Internet and E-mail is offered at Southern at no cost to the user.

"In two to three seconds, mail will arrive wherever it has been sent and the system will notify the user when the message has been delivered," Earney said.

"It's simply sending mail back and forth electronically. The department heads here on cam-

How to sign up for E-Mail...

- Access to internet and E-Mail is at no cost to the user.
- Programs are available in any computer lab on campus.
- To obtain an account and password, students must sign up at the computer center in Matthews Hall.

pus can send messages to all their faculty members at the same time and know they received it."

He said students use the Internet mainly to communicate electronically with a friend or significant other who may be living on another college campus. Earney said it is one of the quickest and most efficient way of sending messages to and fro.

"It's free versus [the cost of]

long-distance phone calls."

He said there are other tools available on the Internet, such as Gopher.

"Gopher is a tool for doing research or for mining or surfing the Internet," Earney said. "You can use key words of interest, and in 45 seconds you can be in Croatia or anywhere else in the world. We can look at databases in other countries instantaneously."

He said Southern's Gopher menu is available to other colleges and that Southern has access to other Gopher menus on the Web server.

Earney said on the Internet one may hook up to the Library Of Congress, obtain up-to-the-moment weather reports from the National Weather Service, or run business ads.

He also said the user can hook up to museums, some of which will reproduce the art paintings on the screen.

According to Earney, E-mail and the Internet are available in any computer lab on campus. To obtain an account and password, students must sign up at the computer center in Matthews Hall. □

OUR EDITORIALS

Unsigned editorials on this page express the opinions of a majority of The Chart editors. Observations elsewhere on the page represent independent viewpoints of columnists, cartoonists, and readers.

College, students must unite

For decades now, society has tried to understand its negative impact on Earth.

Rivers have become polluted to the point where they are no longer capable of sustaining their typical ecosystems.



Missouri Southern has made several feeble

attempts at fulfilling its global duty to protect and preserve the environment.

If the College believes setting up a few measly aluminum can disposal units is a proficient step toward an ecologically sound campus, how in the world can it hope to nobly live up to its truly beloved international mission?

The College's recent attempt to get the students involved was a bust, and has since been discontinued.

However, the College can't take the sole blame for its ineffectiveness. The student body has shown little or no interest in recycling or trash cleanup. This is evident in the smattering of refuse throughout the campus grounds.

Over the past five years, the College has attempted to induce the students to make a difference.

But the students' apathy can be seen piling up between every residential hall and along every chain-link fence.

The College needs to take a proactive, not a reactive, stance toward the environmental well-being of the campus as well as the community.



The students are Southern's most powerful resource and should be utilized in a fashion beneficial to the College as well as the students.

Enlisting the services of the student body through work-study programs is one possible solution to the problem.

The College could also instigate programs providing incentives to campus organizations which fight the spread of campus pollution and promote the recycling of used packaging.

The College should accept the burden of providing environmental education to its students.

If this is truly a facility of higher learning, is there a better lesson to learn? □



Dear Kaifes: Get well soon

Entering her first basketball season as head coach, Carrie Kaifes has hit a life-threatening road block.

After the departure of former head coach Scott Ballard to Central Missouri State, Kaifes was looking toward a year full of new challenging experiences as head coach.

But early Tuesday morning, Kaifes was involved in a one-car accident just miles south of Pittsburg, Kan. Kaifes was reportedly heading back to Joplin after spending the weekend with family in Kansas City.

One tends to wonder how the Lady Lions would react to losing two coaches in the same season.

And for Kaifes this year was supposed to be the best part of her life. A new job, a new team, and her new attitude. She was planning on bringing something special to Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

We are hopeful she will have a great and speedy recovery and be able to bring her sparkle back to the basketball court. Get well soon, Coach! □

YOUR LETTERS

The Chart welcomes letters from readers. Letters must be signed and include a phone number for verification. Letters should be 300 words or fewer. Submit letters to The Chart office on the third floor of Webster Hall, fax them to (417) 625-9742, or send via E-mail. Our E-mail addresses: TheChart@aol.com or HRKP31E@prodigy.com. Letters are due by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition.

Reader resents homosexuality slur

[Editor's note: The following letter addresses last week's Editor's Column by Dan Wiszkon, managing editor of The Chart. It specifically refers to a paragraph reading, "Face it, everyone has to put up with something they don't like. Just because I have to live in a world with homosexuals doesn't mean I'm going to sit down and cry over it."]

Historic emblem under fire, or homosexuals under fire? Face it is right, everyone has to put up with something they don't like. Only one would think that the managing editor of a higher education publication would not stoop to the level of hate groups by implying that somehow if homosexuals were wiped out, life would be better.

Life would be better if people kept their mouths and opinions quiet when nothing

can be said or thought. Even though I am strictly heterosexual, I feel the managing editor was trying to show hate toward homosexuals when there is no reasoning for this. Also, the position Mr. Wiszkon holds should be one of example, an uplifting and responsible one. A role model, if you please, especially to the readers of The Chart.

Mark Detherage
Senior sociology major

EDITOR'S COLUMN

A quest to 'burn'

College needs adequate weight room

Remember this statement: Some of the best exercise I've had in the past two years is rolling over to try and reach the remote control stuck in the cushions of the couch.

With that idea firmly placed in the sanctum of the mind, a disheartening story....

The other day I awoke with inspiration. The sun was shining (what's new?) and it was the dawn of a new day. The words "this is the first day of the rest of my life" echoed through my head. I walked over to the mirror and glared at a body that was once athletic and toned.

It really wasn't anything new to me because for the past two years I'd been gaining weight slowly. But lately, I thought, it's been getting worse.

It was then that I remembered my roommate telling me that he, too, had bodily-rejective thoughts.

"WAKE UP, SPANKY!" I yelled, not realizing I probably woke up the entire building. "Today is the first day of the rest of your life."

Or so we thought.

We not-so-diligently put on our running shoes and do-rags and began to stretch. Our plan was simple—we were to jog to the gymnasium to begin the first of what we thought would become a tri-weekly workout.

About midway between our residence hall apartment and the gym, we jointly decided to walk the rest of the way. After all, it was such a beautiful morning.

As we entered the gymnasium through the back entrance, I could almost feel the weights in my hands.

For the first time in my life, I was actually looking forward to having mirrors surround me—I wanted to watch the veins bulge from my neck and enjoy the sound of my own grunting as I pounded out those last few repetitions.

We rushed up the stairs and turned through a set of glass double-doors, then stopped. Nothing...or virtually nothing. All the equipment lined itself in a hallway that

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was smack-dab in the middle of the \$100,000 pool and the \$100,000 racquetball courts but one floor up.

Three stationary bikes, the kind with a fan for a front wheel, sat side-by-side perpendicular to the hallway wall.

The hallway also had a rowing machine, a couple of stair-steppers, and a flex-bar machine that reminded me of a 1970s fluorescent fountain lamp (if anyone knows the official name for those lamps, let me know).

Disappointed, yet ripe for a workout, I strutted down the hallway in search of a machine that could fill my needs. I found a lonely bicycle machine three-fourths of the way down the hall between the fountain and the rowing machine.

The machine gave me a nice burn after about five minutes (my roommate says three and I said seven so we'll go with five).

The slight burn in my legs just made me doubly lustful for an upper body burn. I tried the rowing machine...no burn. I tried the fountain...good luck. I needed real weights.

I wanted to see plates, bars, dumbbells, and mirrors. (Yes, I have a complex. So what?)

Unfortunately, the weight room is designated for athletes and a (as in one) weightlifting class.

My roommate enjoyed the rest of his workout, but I felt a void so I left early. As I jogged back to my apartment I remember thinking "I wish we had a REAL weight room for the students..."

...and life goes on. □

IN PERSPECTIVE

He's at it again...

An abstract view of the writing process

He's at it again, hunched and fidgeting, and surely there is something else he could be doing, something more productive, something civic or familial, oil hinges or separate recyclables, instead of keeping to that solitary perch to prey upon the odd escaping syllable, surely, better than glowering hourly at the computer, with only its occasional interior rustle like some vague entomology at the core, casting clauses for that vacant stage of a screen, trawling in its gray shallows merely for symbols to twist in his own ear, mapping the intricate evasions of as, while pretending not to sense the undertow of other duties, debts, a daughter to tend to, who could hardly be impressed by some contrived, controllable presence on the page or the play of words in a paragraph like wrens in a yard, better real play, real wrens, instead of the soft coil of private attentions, better company, than this delinquency, the mad instead of metaphor, a wordy, worried encampment at best, or not even that, more a matter of dragging the sullen dog out of the weeds, this finicky business of his, though there are times that the dog trots amiably alongside his brisk intentions, transcending the syllabus of the quotidian, say, and indeed, times when it strains at the leash, even breaks free and darts into traffic, adventurous, eloquent instances, startling and, yes necessary, or so he says, and relies upon it, the memory and hope of it, the satisfactions of communicable ease, the

Dr. Art
Saltzman
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English



small answer of a texture, the event of a solid sentence wrestled from the roil, that private rescue that refutes the seeming privations of the page, yes, that rare conspiracy of craft and grace, that state of earnestness arising from the alphabet which, Faulkner said, one wouldn't hesitate to betray any number of old ladies to achieve, well, postpone friends and unplug the phone for, in any event, able to serve shapely phrases, for expendability is a sin against language, writing cannot abide the absence it admits to, there is virtue in that, surely, not just compulsion, in hoping to coax out of insistent fiddle the dream of a radiant state, merit in slaving over the stove for the sake of a meal that somehow retains no trace of the gas that's gone into it, surely creditors will understand, a daughter excuse, some day, the desire to make matter there in the word's laboratory and lair, and grant the benefit of the doubt arising from well-wrought wonder, the consolation of compulsory figures, see, he's still at it, he'll have to get back to you. □

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FACULTY TRAVEL

African culture spices Weber's summer

French teacher accompanies 19 colleagues

By LESLIE ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

To some, St. Louis may not be such an unusual destination. However, Dr. Maryann Weber, associate professor of communications, put a twist on that destination this summer when she visited Saint-Louis, Senegal.

"I went to the chamber of commerce building in Saint-Louis, Senegal, to buy a poster and the man behind the desk was wearing a Missouri Lottery T-shirt," she said.

An application began her trip to Africa. Weber was chosen to be in a group of 19 American French teachers to visit Senegal, courtesy of the French government. Their mission: to learn of Senegal's French-influenced culture. (Senegal received its independence from France in 1960.) Most of the other teachers in the group were from California and New York.

"I made friends with one lady

who was used to New York City," Weber said. "We were walking in the streets of Saint-Louis one day when for some reason, two little lambs started following us. She was terrified of them! I explained to her they weren't nearly as bad as mean dogs, but she kept saying, 'I'm from the city! Keep them away from me!'"

In addition to Saint-Louis, the group visited such places as Goree, the former center of slave trade, and a women's cooperative village called Bandia.

"Women organized to improve their living conditions," Weber said. "The dues are 50 cents a year to belong to the cooperative, which shows you how much money they have."

The group was welcomed at the cooperative by a griot, a man who travels the country offering his services as musician and storyteller. The women, whose husbands mostly work in Dakar, banded

who work for international companies.

"It's a Muslim country, but it's a very tolerant country," Weber said. "Women don't have to wear the veil at all."

More women wear traditional dress than men, who are more likely to wear their long, white, flowing robes on Fridays, which is their Sabbath day. On other days, a shirt and slacks suffice for about half the country's men.

Weber brought several souvenirs home from Senegal, including an African dress.

"If I wore it in Africa, it would look modern," she said. "If I wore it in Joplin, people would fall out of the windows of their car!"

One of the things that struck Weber was the way people treated one another.

"It's a poor country, and their wealth is in their human relationships."



Dr. Maryann Weber

Associate professor of communications

together to raise crops and children. They all wear traditional dress, either a loosely tailored dress-like garment called a *boubou*, or a skirt called a *pagne*.

However, in the capital city of Dakar, more of the women wear Western dress, especially those

"It's a poor country, and their wealth is in their human relationships," she said.

"They keep close contact with their aunts, uncles, cousins...with four wives, you can have many siblings. I talked to one man with 34 brothers and sisters."

"Also, they share everything," Weber said. "They usually eat out of a common bowl."

She said the health conditions are markedly different from the United States.

"Things are difficult there," she said.

"When we went to the village, people would ask us for medications for their children, and none of us had thought to bring that kind of thing along."

When the three-and-a-half week trip was over, Weber believed the French government's purpose in giving her the trip had been fulfilled.

"My primary souvenir is my memories and what I learned from the trip," she said. □

BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES

Meetings provide food for thought

Sessions to feature different disciplines

By TONYA PRINCE
STAFF WRITER

There is no such thing as a free lunch, except at Missouri Southern.

The Brown Bag Lunch Series offers faculty and staff the chance to have a free lunch, discuss interesting topics, and meet other people from the College.

This series, which began last year, is held every Friday at noon throughout the semester in the House of Lords Room at the Billings Student Center.

International education was the topic of last year's Brown Bag Lunch Series.

"Last year when I came we were going to have an ad hoc committee on international education," said Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs.

"We had between 70 and 75 faculty and staff helping us to set the vision, but I also thought it would be nice to go ahead and informally bring the faculty together and ask those faculty who had been abroad if they would share some of their experiences."

This gave faculty a chance to talk about their experiences in other countries.

"It was a chance to get a perspective on other parts of the world," said Dr. Charles Curtis, assistant professor of mathematics.

Between 30 and 40 faculty and staff members attended each time.

"They seemed very successful and we heard a lot of positive comments from people who really enjoyed the opportunity to relax and talk with their colleagues and hear about something new," said Nadine Schmidt, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs.

This year's Brown Bag Lunch Series will focus on Southern's different disciplines.

Each meeting will feature a different discipline by having a presentation or panel discussion by faculty in that discipline.

This gives faculty the chance to talk about what they find exciting about their discipline and how they go about teaching their discipline.

"One thing I have always enjoyed is hearing about some of the nuggets or some of the things of interest to faculty in their own disciplines," Bitterbaum said.

"We had a very good response from people volunteering to present this year," Schmidt said.

Because there are so many disciplines at Southern, the topics will be carried over to the spring semester.

"This year's series will be real exciting," said Dr. Betsy Griffin, head of the psychology department.

Some of the upcoming topics include education, accounting, biology, corporate finance, psychology, computer-aided drafting and design, and marketing.

"It is a good interchange of ideas and good for the faculty to get together," Griffin said. □

HAVIN' PLENTY OF FUN



TONI DILLARD/The Chart

Andrew Noel, 4; Alexander Butler, 3; and Ashley Norman, 2; play at the Child Development Center on campus Wednesday afternoon while Meagan Rice, senior biology major, keeps an eye on them.

BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Interns prepare for jungle trip

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD
EDUCATION EDITOR

Two of the 15 students who went to Belize, Central America, this summer are going back for more. They will be joined by Debra Meyer, junior biology major, for a two-month internship in the village of Monkey River.

Matt Triplett, senior psychology major, and Kendra Millard, junior biology major, are anxious to get back.

"I felt like I belonged there," Millard said. "The people are very friendly. They aren't judgmental or racist."

Millard, Meyer, and Triplett will be working with Skip White, owner of the Tropical Learning Center, to develop a nature center.

"[White] decided he would help the people of this

tiny village develop their area for ecotourism," said Dr. Jim Jackson, professor of biology. "If not, they will either have to move away or they'll have to start chopping down the rain forest."

The interns face a wide range of responsibilities. They will carve out a nature trail, identify and catalog species lists, collect insects for display, and write a descriptive brochure about the history and culture of Monkey River.

The students, who have no classes this semester, are busy doing research before their Oct. 1 departure. An oral presentation, complete with slides and artifacts, has been proposed sometime after their return in December.

Expenses for the trip are estimated at \$1,500 per student, most of which will be provided by the Student Research Council. A local company will also donate \$250 per student. □

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Minor in English (Literature Emphasis)

- English 216, 310, or 315.....3 semester hrs.
- English courses at the 300-400 level...9 semester hrs.
- English electives.....9 semester hrs.

21 total hrs. *

*Consultation with an English Department Advisor

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 - English 101, 102, 111.....6 semester hrs.
- B. Twelve hours from the following:
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 - English 310—Professional Writing.....3 semester hrs.
 - English 313—Technical Writing.....3 semester hrs.
 - English 315—Advanced Essay.....3 semester hrs.
 - English 316—Creative Poetry.....3 semester hrs.
 - English 317—Creative Fiction.....3 semester hrs.
- C. Three hours in a 300-400 level writing intensive course in the student's major.....3 semester hrs.

21 total hrs.

*The minor in English with a writing emphasis is new this fall, but is not in the 1995-96 College Catalog.

New minor highlights writing skills

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD
EDUCATION EDITOR

In keeping with Missouri Southern's commitment to broadening students' communication skills, a new English minor in writing has been approved.

"There are now two options within the English minor," said Dr. Stephen Spector, head of the English department.

"One is a writing emphasis, and the other is a literature emphasis. The literature one is the same as it always was."

Both options require 21 credit hours, but the writing minor includes nine hours that are already required credits for any major: six hours of English composition and three hours in an upper-level writing intensive course.

The idea for a writing minor

has been tossed around the English department for two or three years, Spector said.

Encouragement came from other departments and schools as well.

"[The proposal] was approved

English 315, formerly known as "Exposition," is now "Advanced Essay Writing."

"We thought [the writing minor] would be good for students in almost any field," Spector said.

"If you're in business, for example, you may want to highlight that you have writing skills."

"Employers are looking for employees who can write well."

Jim Gray, dean of the school of business administration, echoed that belief.

"We encourage our business students to get minors in other fields, and a minor in writing would be a good choice," he said.

"Business students must be able to communicate, both orally and in writing." □

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Dr. Stephen Spector
Head of the English department

HIGHER EDUCATION BRIEFS

Missouri universities in Money's top 100

Four Missouri universities have placed in *Money* magazine's best-buy survey of the top 100 schools in the United States.

Northeast Missouri State University, soon to become Truman State University, ranked third. Drury College was No. 48, followed by William Jewell College (No. 66) and the University of Missouri-Columbia (No. 70).

Among the 16 factors considered in *Money* magazine's rating system were entrance examination results, library resources, graduation rates, graduates earning doctorates, and business success of graduates. □

Northwest senior interns with Gingrich

For Hawkeye Wilson, a senior at Northwest Missouri State University double majoring in government and journalism, the summer was fantastic—he worked with Newt.

Wilson spent the summer as an intern in the offices of Speaker of the House and Georgia Congressman Newt Gingrich.

The first three weeks of his stay in Washington, D.C. were spent in the Gingrich's congressional office located in the Rayburn Building. The final eight weeks found him in the Speaker's office in the Capitol.

For his efforts, Wilson gained valuable experience toward his goal of serving the United States some day in international relations, as well as three hours of university credit.

In Gingrich, Wilson found philosophical comfort.

"The Speaker believes in individual responsibility, innovation, entrepreneurship, and he is optimistic about the future," he said. "I'm the same way. He's one of my idols."

On the job, Wilson performed many tasks for Gingrich, including tallying votes in the House and writing biographical sketches of the 73 new members of Congress. Another task was to look at the Speaker's press conferences held during the first 100 days of this congressional session and summarize and index the issues discussed in those meetings with the media.

He also answered telephone calls from persons expressing their opinions.

"That was a great experience," Wilson said. "The callers had so many legitimate things to say."

Following the completion of his baccalaureate degree, Wilson hopes to return to Washington, D.C. to work full-time for the Speaker for several months. □

SMSU to host series of five science workshops

The Southwest Missouri State University physics and astronomy department will host a series of five weekend workshops throughout the 1995-96 academic year for grades 4-8 science teachers in the southwest region of Missouri.

The program, titled "Translating Current Science Reform Efforts Into Classroom Practices," will provide training in the current national and state science education standards.

Taking place in September, November, January, March and May, each workshop is held for a whole day on Friday and a half day on Saturday. The program can be taken for three graduate credit hours.

Deadline for registration is Sept. 13. To register, or for more information, contact Dr. Furl Shaky at (417) 836-5131. □

Western fraternity receives top honors

Missouri Western State College's nationally recognized fraternity, Phi Sigma Kappa, recently received the Herbert L. Brown Outstanding Chapter award, the highest honor presented to a chapter, at its annual convention in Washington D.C. Eleven delegates, including two alumni, attended the convention.

The fraternity is one of 102 national chapters considered for the honor. The award is based on the chapter's yearly accomplishments, including rush, scholarship, grade point average, philanthropy, campus involvement and the overturning of traditional Greek roles. □

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

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Today 7

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.—
KOINONIA Campus Ministries, Basement of Residence Hall B
Noon to 1 p.m.—
Latter-Day Saint Student Association, BSC 313
12:15 p.m.—
Sigma Tau Delta meeting Seminar Room
12:15 p.m.—
Psychology Club meeting Room 123
12:20 p.m.—
Young Democrats meeting, WH 223
5:30 p.m.—
BSU "TNT" Topic: Stress Management
7 p.m.—
Lady Lions volleyball vs. Ozark Christian College, Young Gymnasium

Tomorrow 8

2 p.m.—
International Task Force meeting, House of Lords, BSC

Saturday 9

Sexual Harassment, Awareness and Prevention call 782-1846 for more information
8:30 a.m.—
Intramural 5-K Run check in

Sunday 10

9:30 a.m.—
Bible Study, behind the residence halls
1 p.m.—
Accounting Club picnic

Monday 11

Campus Board Activities, pool tournament sign up begins
Career Planning and Placement career success workshops, BSC 306
5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.—
Lecture on transplantation by Michael Landreneau of St. John's Regional Transplant Center, Reynolds, Room 319, open to the public
7 p.m.—
BSU Bible Study, behind the residence halls

Tuesday 12

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.—
MSSC faculty and staff, ice cream social, BSC 310
7 p.m.—
Helen S. Boylan Symposium: Journalist and author Molly Ivins, Webster Hall Auditorium, free admission

Wednesday 13

Noon to 12:50—
BSU Luncheoncounter
2 p.m.—
First CAB meeting, BSC 310
5 p.m.—
Lions Soccer vs. Drury
7:30 p.m.—
Theater production "Orphans," Taylor Auditorium, Free for MSSC students, faculty and staff

If you have an event you would like listed on the Campus Events Calendar, please call Fekadu at The Chart 625-9311.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD

Members busy planning activities

By FEKADU KIROS
CAMPUS EDITOR

The Campus Activities Board has plenty to offer to students who are bored, looking for some intellectual stimulation, or just searching for some fun. The CAB, an organization fully funded by Missouri Southern students, is responsible for several extracurricular activities on campus, according to Dixie Beckett, CAB vice president.

The CAB has six committees to

suit the various interests of students. The six committees include special events, cultural events, tour and travel, lectures, novelty and music, and dances and movies.

Students who would like to get involved can sign up for the committees they are most interested in and work with the chair of that particular committee while also assisting others, Beckett said.

"It seems like people over the committees do too much work, so we like to have general board members helping out," she said.

Each committee is responsible for organizing events by taking ideas from students and the national annual conference the CAB officers attend, Beckett said.

Students each year pay an activity fee as part of their tuition. This money is divided between the Student Senate and the CAB.

"I don't know if the students know this, but we try to stress it," Beckett said.

"We have their money. We're spending their money, so they might as well come to some of our

activities or to the meetings and help us spend their money. This is your money."

The turnout for the events the CAB schedules varies depending on the type of event. The comedies usually have more attendance than the lectures, and even more people come to the dances, Beckett said.

The CAB tries to hold activities during the weekdays since most students go home during the weekends.

"The students who say there is nothing to do—I don't think they

are looking. I think they are saying there is nothing to do because they expect the activities to come to them," Beckett said.

"They need to walk around campus and look. CAB is just one organization; there are other organizations."

Students can help by either coming to the meetings or dropping by the CAB office in Room 100 of the Billingsly Student Center.

CAB meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays of each month. □

DEBATE TEAM

Freshman anticipates real challenge of ability

Doug Dennis new member of team

By RONNA SPARKS
STAFF WRITER

Most individuals don't use the wise sayings in fortune cookies to make life-changing decisions, but Doug Dennis has other ideas.

A fortune cookie reading "A solid challenge will bring forth your finest abilities" eventually led Dennis, freshman undecided major, to Missouri Southern.

Dennis and a friend were making decisions about the future and had decided to "let fate take its course" when the fortune cookies seemingly hit target. His friend quit debate and Dennis ended up on Southern's debate team.

After graduating high school, Dennis said he suffered debate burnout but didn't want to separate himself from the activity, so he began coaching at the high school level.

The similarity between his relationship with his students and Eric Marlow's, Southern's debate coach, helped draw him to Southern.

"They are more my peers than I am above them," Dennis said.

"They listen to me—not because I tell them to, but just because they think they should. That's one of the reasons I'm here. Marlow thinks the same way."

Now Dennis must face debating in the Midwest, a challenging debate area, but Marlow is confident of his abilities.

"Doug has come out here to see if he can be a nationally-competitive debater and I think he will be," Marlow said. "I don't think there's much doubt."

Because Southern's debate team is based around two-person teams, the support and team atmosphere is extremely important to the success of the team. Dennis' teammates seem pleased with his efforts.

"I think he's going to be a big help," said Stuart Smart, sophomore communications major and fellow debater.

"He's already working as hard or harder than anyone else on the squad."

While Dennis does have other interests, debate has played a major role in his life.

"I think there hasn't been anything that has changed my life more than debate," he said.

"If people could have seen the

person I was eight or nine years ago before I started debating and the person I am now, the only thing that has changed my ideas of life and the way we fit into the world has been solely debate."

Although most individuals associate debate with law and lawyers, Dennis said this is a common misconception.

"I would rather hang myself than go into law," he said.

"I think the law is a bit oppressive. A lot of the premises you have to have for the law to work are premises I wouldn't want to represent."

Doug Dennis

Dennis is adamant in his hope to avoid a career in law just as he is adamant in his belief that people should keep an open mind.

"If I could do anything, I would convince people they need to reevaluate some of the things they do," he said, "like how they look at environmental issues and peace issues and gender issues."

"I think people block ideas in their minds of what they think is true, and they're not willing to listen to other ideas." □



FEKADU KIROS/The Chart

Doug Dennis, a freshman undecided major, is on Missouri Southern's debate team. He decided to join the team after he read a fortune cookie proclaiming he was in for a "solid challenge" that will measure his abilities.

PRELAW CLUB

Adviser: club fit for all majors

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

If you're a Perry Mason wannabe or just curious about the law system, there's a club on campus that may be of interest to you.

The Prelaw Club's introductory meeting will be held at 12:15 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14 in Room 125 of the Justice Center. A monthly meeting will be conducted thereafter, with the Nov. 9 meeting focusing on test-taking tips for the (LSAT) Law School Admissions Test. There is no cost or commitment to join the club.

Last year's club consisted of approximately 20 members. Trina

Scott, a prelaw adviser to the club and assistant professor of law enforcement, would like to see more students join this year.

"We invite everyone to come," Scott said. "The club has several different majors represented across campus. We'd like to have as many members as we can."

Just what exactly does this club do? It took a field trip last year to a law school in Fayetteville, Ark., to hear practitioners of law discuss procedure, brought in guest speakers, and performed other law-related activities.

This semester's featured trip is to St. Louis on Thursday, Oct. 5 for "St. Louis Law Day." Scott said about 50 law schools will

attend the event and the experience will be valuable to the club's members.

"I think taking field trips is the best way for people to realize what's out there," she said. "We're just trying to educate them about the process and the legal profession."

Kristin White, junior speech communications major, was a club member last year and plans to join again this year.

She enjoyed the trips the group took to law schools that she may consider attending after Southern.

"We got to sit on actual classes and get a real feel for what it's really like," White said. □

RESIDENCE HALLS

Student assistants attend workshop

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

Student assistants who patrol the residence halls perform a vital service for the College.

These 17 people are responsible for supervising other college students while they are only students themselves. With more than 500 students living on campus, each staff assistant (SA) is in charge of the safety, health, and well-being of about 30 students.

Doug Carnahan, dean of students and director of student life, coordinates an August workshop on an annual basis.

"It allows them an opportunity to put themselves in a situation and learn how to respond in case of emergency," Carnahan said.

The workshop provided instruction in first aid, CPR, and other basic safety measures. Each SA met individually with full-time professional resident directors Deb Gipson and Lamonte Blanford to discuss office and area procedures.

Not only do SAs have to be an authoritative figure to the students in their care, they also act as counselors and role models around the clock.

"I think it's one of the most important student jobs there are on campus," Carnahan said. "They are vitally important to the success of the residence halls."

For the function they perform, SAs receive free room and board from the College. The SAs in McCormick and Blaine Halls get the privilege of living in their own rooms.

Student assistant Amy Mayberry, senior psychology major, said the workshop activities taught them things that will help SAs throughout the school year.

"It wasn't too hard because they took us through it step by step," Mayberry said.

Carnahan said some students view SAs as police officers used for disciplinary purposes only.

"It can be a hard job at times," Mayberry said. "Too many times students judge us by title without taking the time to really get to know us first."

"Obviously it's part of the job to write up violations, but that's not the only reason they're over there," Carnahan said.

"That's way down on our list of priorities." □

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Student directs premier production

By KEVIN COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

Orphans, an award-winning play by Kyle Kessler, will be on the stage at Taylor Auditorium Sept. 13-16.

It is the story of two brothers, Philip, played by Jonathan Peck, and Treat, played by David Hale.

"These two brothers live in the slums of upper Philadelphia," said David Waggoner, director of the play. "They're orphans themselves. Treat, the older brother, takes care of Philip by mugging and stealing."

"He (Treat) keeps Philip pretty much uneducated," he said.

"He keeps him in the house, completely dependent on big brother Treat. No education, except what Philip does for himself."

"He watches a lot of TV and has taught himself to read."

In comes Harold, a gangster from Chicago played by Grant Miller. Treat's intent is to rob him. But Harold takes over and turns Treat into his bodyguard and all-around man.

"Harold changes their life for the better," Waggoner said.

"He gives them hope. He gives them the encouragement they need to go on, teaches Philip some survival skills, and helps Treat to learn to love."

Peck, a Southern alumnus, directed Waggoner in *True West* last year.

"The theme of the play," he said, "is to give wings to the characters, so they can fly over prison walls."

"I read the play on a list of plays to read," Waggoner said. "And I was really touched by it. It's got

'Orphans'

WHEN: 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 13-Saturday, Sept. 16, Taylor Performing Arts Center.

TICKETS: \$3 adults, \$1 senior citizens and high school students. Missouri Southern students and faculty members free with ID.

DIRECTOR: David Waggoner, junior theatre major.

THEME: The play focuses on the lives of two grown brothers, orphaned 20 years earlier, now surviving in Philadelphia.

a real gritty surface, but it's got a lot of heart underneath. I'm easy to move, and I was really moved by this."

The show was first produced in 1983 in Los Angeles, where it won the Dramalogue award. It was produced again in 1985 in Chicago by the Steppenwolf Company and directed by Gary Sinise.

Carry Stewart, stage manager, said this has been a real learning experience for her.

"Telling everybody what to do is new for me," she said. "I'm a sophomore, and I'm often notified of that."

"Every night, the play will have me laughing really hard," Stewart said. "Then all of a sudden I'm crying."

"It's a ride with a lot of ups and downs," Waggoner added.

Curtain goes up at 7:30 each night for the play.

Because the audience will be seated on the stage, there will be limited seating.

"About 132 seats a night," Waggoner said.

"So it's best to get tickets in advance."



Philip (left), played by Jonathan Peck, is befriended by Harold, played by Grant Miller, in "Orphans," the first production of the 95-96 Southern Theatre season. The show will run Sept. 13-16 at Taylor Auditorium.

For reservations, persons may call 625-3190, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tickets are free for Missouri Southern students, \$3 for adults, and \$1 for senior citizens, other

students, and children.

The play is not recommended for children. □

STONE'S THROW DINNER THEATRE

'Lilies' film adaptation launches theatre season

Local dentist directs story of chapel built as 'labor of love'

By MICHAEL DAVISON
ARTS EDITOR

Directing a play may be like pulling teeth, but it's not uncommon for Dr. William Roehling, director of *Lilies of the Field* at Stone's Throw Dinner Theatre.

The Joplin dentist, whose avocation is theatre, has directed for both Joplin Little Theatre and Stone's Throw.

He said *Lilies* is the right type of show for the audience the theatre draws.

"This appealing script offers insight on the central problem in present day society," Roehling said.

"It shows the necessity and the effectiveness of prayer and of a

strong faith in the power of the Almighty to get things done."

It is the story of Homer Smith, a drifter who ends up building a chapel for an order of nuns in the Southwest.

The role is played by Jeff Engelken.

"He would move into a town, get a small job, and when the money ran out he would move on," Roehling said.

"He is willing to live his own life with nobody telling him what to do."

The conflict begins when Smith meets the Mother Superior, played by Sonya Kew-Johnson, and she believes he is the answer to their prayers.

"She is the most willful person in the show," said Henry Heckert, resident director for Stone's Throw, "and she gets what she wants."

Expecting Smith to build the chapel as a "labor of love" nearly disrupts the construction.

Permission was granted to

recreate the cinematic version of William E. Barrett's novel by F. Andrew Leslie.

Weber as cafe owner Jose Gonzales, Tracy Erwin as Sister Albertine, Bonnie Erwin as Sister

The show, which runs tonight through Saturday and Sept. 14-17, is a subscription presentation.

The dinner will include sliced pit-smoked ham, hashbrown potato casserole, green beans with mushrooms and pearl onions, summer salad, southern custard pie, hot rolls, coffee, iced tea, and summer punch. Other beverages are extra.

For reservations, persons may call (417) 358-9665.

Because seating is limited, reservations are required.

Non-subscription reservations must be guaranteed by credit card or other payment in advance.

Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. with the doors opening at 6 p.m. and curtain at 7:30 p.m.

For the Sunday matinee, the doors open at 12:30 p.m. with dinner at 1 p.m. and curtain at 2 p.m.

Admission is \$15 for adults, \$14 for senior citizens, and \$10 for students 15 and under. □

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Dr. William Roehling
Director

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"Are we truly our brother's (in this case, I could say Sister's) keeper?" Roehling asked.

"In answering this question, Leslie offers a lightness and humor our audiences will find to their tastes."

Rounding out the cast is Chris

Gertrude, and Katy Kew as Sister Agnes.

Heckert also makes an appearance as Father Otto Brinkman, the narrator of the story.

Folk singer Allen Jennings will provide music for the performance.

IN YOUR EAR ALTERNATIVE CD REVIEWS

Filter searching for own sound

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Behind the industrial footsteps of nine inch nails (the band does not capitalize its name), Filter's debut album *Short Bus* leaves the listener with something more to be desired.

Besides the first two tracks "Hey Man, Nice Shot" and "Dose," this two-man band from Cleveland, Ohio, has grasped the talents of "electronic music" but not the skill of heart-felt, gritty lyrics.

Many critics, including Rolling Stone magazine, believe the lyrics to the band's debut release, "Hey man, nice shot," is about the public suicide of former Pennsylvania treasurer R. Budd Dwyer. Dwyer, facing sentencing for a fraud conviction, took his life on Jan. 22, 1987,



during a press conference.

After listening to the song, I could see how the two could easily be tied together, but the lyrics never actually give Dwyer's name at any point in the track.

One question I have about Filter is its live performance capability. With the group having only a solid two-man conglomerate, the band must use additional musicians to perform its live acts.

Sure, industrial rock forerunners nine inch nails and Jane's

Addiction use different musicians on almost every album and tour, but they also have lead men like Trent Reznor and Perry Farrell, who attract generally all of the attention on stage and in the record stores.

Filter's lead singer, Richard Patrick, has excellent vocals but seems to lose it at the end of each song when he goes into a screaming frenzy. Don't get me wrong, I don't mind screaming lyrics, but when he sings at his lower tone I find his vocals much more effective.

But with all the attention for its video and controversy over the lyrics to "Hey man, nice shot," Filter is sitting on the steps of stardom. I think the band still has to filter out some problems along the way, though. □

•CD's provided by Stick It In Your Ear Records.

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417-625-3190
September 13, 14, 15, 16—*Orphans*.
October 18, 19, 20, 21—*The Fourposter*.
Dec. 2, 3—*The Secret Garden*.
Matthews Hall auditorium
Sept. 26—Tom Benton's Missouri.
Oct. 10—End of Innocence.
Oct. 24—Late Spring.
Nov. 14—Au Hasard Balthazar.
Nov. 28—Three.
Spiva Art Gallery
Now until Sept. 22—Jorge Leyva-paintings, John Good-ceramics.

JOPLIN

Champs Bar and Grill
782-4944
Sept. 8-9—Rhythm Station.
Joplin Little Theatre
623-3638
Sept. 26-Oct. 1—Damn Yankees.
George A. Spiva Center for the Arts
623-0183
Now till Oct. 1—Area collections, which includes private collections of area citizens. Artists included are Rembrandt, Pissarro, Henry Moore, Chagall, Salvador Dali, Alexander Calder, Shami, Leonard Baskin, and Leroy Neiman.

CARTHAGE

Stone's Throw Dinner Theatre
417-358-9665
Sept. 7-9, 14-17—*Lilies of the Field*.
Oct. 19-21; 27-29—*The Whales of August*.
Nov. 30; Dec. 12; 8-10—*Little Women*.

SPRINGFIELD

Shrine Mosque
417-831-2727
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Sept. 11—Bush with Ham and The Toadies.
Juanita K. Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts
1-800-404-3133
Oct. 1—Maureen McGovern.
Oct. 10-12—*Fiddler on the Roof*.
Oct. 14—*Sleeping Beauty*.
Nov. 11-12—*Five Guys Named Moe*.
Hammons Student Center
417-836-7678
Sept. 21—Chicago.
Springfield Art Museum
417-866-2716
Now until Sept. 17—John Henry Exhibition.

KANSAS CITY

Sandstone Amphitheatre
Sept. 8—Clint Black with Suzy Bogguss and John Berry.
Sept. 10—Allman Brothers Band with Rusty Rood.
Sept. 23—Vince Gill with Patty Loveless.
Sept. 26—Elton John (Sold Out).
Sept. 30—Jimmy Buffett and The Coral Reefer Band.
Memorial Hall
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Oct. 1—Soul Asylum with Matthew Sweet.
Spencer Theatre, Center for the Performing Arts
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Missouri Repertory Theatre
A Delicate Balance.
UMKC Theatre
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Oct. 20, 22, 26, 28, 29—*Two Gentlemen of Verona*.
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TRI-STATE MARKER

Monument to undergo facelift

Baxter Springs tourism board plans for statue renewal effort

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

While covering only 20 feet in diameter, an enormous mass of stone and concrete hulks across three states at once.

The tri-state marker stands shrouded by a mass of trees and underbrush pointing out the spot where Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma meet.

Down a gravel road off U.S. 166, this 57-year-old monument allows visitors the chance to stand in three states at once. The marker looks long forgotten, and vandals have had their ways with it several times, but thanks to the Baxter Springs, Kan., tourism board, that may all soon change.

The Gypsy, owner of a tattoo parlor in Baxter Springs, heads the board overseeing the renovation of the marker erected in 1938. According to The Gypsy, the significance of the marker is not only for Baxter Springs but all other surrounding communities looking for

something unique to bring in the tourist dollars.

"There's only one other monument like it in the United States and that's at the four corners in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, and Utah," The Gypsy said.

The Gypsy acknowledged there are other places in the country where three states meet, but said they have no monuments to that effect.

The cost of the renovation is covered for up to \$1,000 by grants from the Baxter Springs Lions Club and Cherokee County, Kan.

"The area down there has been let go; it's in bad shape," The Gypsy said. "The marker itself is in bad repair."

The plan calls for the area to be landscaped and labeled for tourists to gain easier access.

The marker itself will have some maintenance performed on it.

Plaques will be replaced that vandals stole years ago.

The Gypsy hopes to complete the project by Oct. 12 for a special ceremony involving cities from all three states.

The date itself is significant to Baxter Springs because it marks the anniversary of the Baxter Springs Massacre during the Civil War.



J.L. GRIFFIN/The Chart

The Tri-state marker off of US Highway 166 allows visitors a chance to stand in three states, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma, at one time.

The Gypsy is looking for help in Baxter Springs' quest to make the site an interesting tourist stop. People may call him at Skin Art Creations in Baxter Springs, (316) 856-5938. □

How to get there

FROM JOPLIN: Take Interstate 44 west to US 166 exit and turn right. Follow US 166 for about one mile until you see a sign that says you are leaving Missouri. Turn left on the gravel road and follow it until it winds around the monument.

FROM BAXTER SPRINGS: At Military and US 166, take US 166 south. At the four way stop, veer to the right yield lane and that will keep you on US 166. Turn right on the gravel road immediately after the "Leaving Kansas" sign. Follow that road until it winds around the monument.

JOPLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board finds there's not enough dough to pay for bread

Budget restraints force cafeterias to bake bread

By CASEY MILLER
EDITORIAL EDITOR

Shoppers know the price of bread has been on the rise. Imagine having to buy it for more than 7,000 people.

That was the major issue discussed at a recent meeting of the Joplin R-8 School Board. When faced with purchasing the milk and bread for school cafeterias for

the entire year, the board discovered that the Colonial Baking Company's price had risen from 65 cents to \$1.25 a loaf.

"Obviously that translates to the students," said Dr. Vernon Hudson, superintendent of the Joplin School District. "When you are talking about the magnitude of what you are buying, that is a lot of milk and a lot of bread."

Hudson said the school board policy on purchases of more than \$6,000 is to go with the lowest bidder, or in this case, the only bidder, Colonial.

"Ninety-five percent of the time we go

with the lowest bid, whether they are from California or Joplin," he said. "Location is not the factor; it's the price of the item."

Tim Childs, sales administrator for the Colonial Baking Co., located in Springfield, attributes the increase to the cost of wheat rising by about \$400 per hundred pounds.

When you are talking about the magnitude of what you are buying, that is a lot of bread.

Dr. Vernon Hudson

"It's gone up for everybody," Childs said. "We took a market increase before the schools made their bid."

Hudson said the board discussed ways of keeping the cost of lunches the same for students this year.

"We're going to try to maintain the same cost," he said. "We'll be baking more of our own bread, and hopefully the cost will go down next year."

"At our larger schools, with the amount of bread, we don't have the equipment to do that," said Dorothy Pace, district food service director. "I don't think we'd have to hire more people; we'd have to take a look at total preparation and adjust our menus accordingly." □

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“I look at government as a business in the sense I am giving the people a product they can be proud of.”

Mayor Richard ‘strikes’ chord with city

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The mayor began to speak. In a dark corner of the bowling alley, under the pale illumination of the incandescent lights, the dance began. His voice was never eclipsed by the sound of pins cracking and falling to the wooden floors.

He spoke of crime, political maneuvering, and other eminent topics that a man of his power deals with on a daily basis.

The rhythm of his voice was slow and methodical, but he never let on he was thinking of every word before he spoke it. He had mastered this dance, this ritual of politics.

OK, so it didn't really happen like some Mickey Spillane novel. This ancient image epitomized by men in positions of power was a polar opposite of what most will encounter when dealing with Joplin Mayor Ron Richard.

He's a homespun cotton and denim man with a thick, southern drawl who would just as soon make the cover of *Bowler's Digest* as *GQ*, though he could probably do both.

There are no seedy henchmen. No rigged elections. No hidden political agendas. And most surprisingly, no higher political aspirations. Just a man with a family owned and operated business trying to make his town a better place to live.

Explaining his position as mayor, Richard points out that it's much different than most implants to the region would expect.

"The mayor is elected by the City Council," he said.

Along with other positions in the town's hierarchy, the mayor is selected to be the majority's voice at Council meetings. A Council, the mayor said, that is expected to refrain from choosing any political allies.

"The Council must remain apolitical," he said.

The self-described conservative probably wouldn't shock anyone with that admission, but he does admit to being at the helm of a town with a "wild side."

Being mayor does demand much of his time, but he tries to balance his responsibilities as mayor with his duties as a husband, father, and employer.

One of the reasons he claims he has no intentions of becoming a Council member after his stint as mayor is over lies in his beliefs that the job would take too



DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

Mayor Ron Richard mans the counter at one of the three bowling centers his family owns and operates. His father, Carl Richard, started the business. The mayor, along with his three brothers, helps run the centers in Joplin and Ft. Smith, Ark. Mayor Richard was also a professional bowler in the 1970s and 80s.

much time away from his family.

Richard's family has grown in the last year and a half with his marriage to second wife Patty, who has a son, Chad, 24, at the University of Arkansas. Those two additions, combined with his daughter Kara, 21, at the University of Missouri-Columbia, are the reasons he wants to be remembered as a family man as well as a good mayor. The family doesn't end there, though. Every day the mayor goes to work he is surrounded by his father's gaze. Either by the man himself or by the many pictures of Carl Richard affixed to the walls in the lounges of the three bowling alleys the family runs. The mayor claims his father can still beat him "like a drum" when they face off on a lane.

Along with his father, the mayor has three brothers in the bowling alley business as well. With two centers in Joplin, the family has another in Fort Smith, Ark.

Carl Richard was a professional bowler, and the mayor followed him into that side of the business as well before settling on a career as a proprietor of bowling alleys.

Mayor Richard reiterates his point of family values by saying his lifetime bowling highlight came when he, his father, and his brothers won the state tournament in 1971 and are the only father and sons team to ever do so.

According to the mayor, being a mayor and running a business have much in common.

"I look at government as a business in the sense that I am giving the people a product they can be proud of," Richard said.

However, there are some distinct differences.

"The disadvantage is not being able to tell people to fix something and get it done immediately," he said.

Richard admitted there are plans he'll never be able to realize during his possible eight years as mayor, but he'd at least like to get the ball rolling on some projects.

"We need a park in the southeastern part of town. We still need a major building to hold large events that Memorial Hall can't handle, and that includes conventions," Richard said. □



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Cooper, Wilks pace Southern runners

New Zealander returns in record form

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

The Missouri Southern men's and women's cross country teams showed signs of brilliance Saturday in the MSSC Invitational.

Lady Lion senior Rhonda Cooper, a New Zealand native, returned from her injury in style, finishing 17 seconds ahead of Pittsburg State's Melanie Enneking on the two-mile course.

Cooper's time of 11:34.2 broke the College's previous record by 19 seconds, a record she set two years ago in Tulsa.

Cooper said her success was a little unexpected.

"I was nervous going in," she said. "I was a little surprised. I didn't expect to win."

For the men, sophomore Jon Wilks finished a five-kilometer

course in 15:38.7. His surge in the final 200 meters gave him a narrow victory over Carloz Vasquez of Kansas City, Kan., Community College.

Junior Josh Rogers finished fourth for the Lions in 15:49.2.

"Jon Wilks ran an extra good race along with Josh Rogers," men's coach Tom Rutledge said.

Although Southern's runners out-classed the other colleges in the meet, Rutledge said he expects Pittsburg State to challenge the Lions and Lady Lions when the distances move to the normal 8K for men and 5K for women.

"We went out very fast," Rutledge said. "We had some freshmen step up for us."

Rutledge said Derek Russell, a short-distance track runner, held on longer than expected to finish sixth.

Tim Kerr, a junior, should make

MSSC Invitational

Saturday's Results
(Top five finishers)

MEN—1, Jon Wilks, MSSC, 15:38.7. 2, Carloz Vasquez, KCCC, 15:39.4. 3, Aaron Locke, PSU, 15:44.3. 4, Josh Rogers, MSSC, 15:49.2. 5, Jami Clark, PSU, 16:09.

WOMEN—1, Rhonda Cooper, MSSC, 11:34.2. 2, Melanie Enneking, PSU, 11:51.7. 3, Amanda Harrison, MSSC, 12:00.6. 4, Sonia Blacketer, MSSC, 12:04.9. 5, Wendy Platt, PSU, 12:06.3.

the men's team even tougher, Rutledge said.

Women's coach Patty Vavra said she wasn't sure how well her team would perform before Saturday.

"I think more than anything we were untested," Vavra said. "Until you really get out there and compete, you can never get a real picture."

Vavra said she was excited about

the performance of freshmen Amanda Harrison and Sonia Blacketer. Harrison finished third and Blacketer fourth.

"The thing that I'm really pleased with is that we planned to go out strong in the first mile and we did that and it worked," Vavra said, noting that PSU has done well against Missouri Southern in the past. "Pittsburg could make up the

ground in the second mile."

Vavra praised the effort of her top runner.

"Rhonda Cooper was anxious to run this race and she did very well," Vavra said. "She really worked hard and had an awfully good summer."

Cooper, the MIAA women's cross country athlete of the week, was out for most of the 1993 season and all of the 1994 season because of a tibia stress fracture.

"As far as my injury, I'm 100 percent," Cooper said. "It has totally healed."

Also for the women, senior Kathy Williams finished sixth, Cassie Moss seventh, Kim Sneddon 12th, and Chris Heineke 16th.

For the men, Dusty Franks ran 10th, Mark Williams 12th, Jerome Batson 13th, and Jim Lowary 18th.

The cross country teams travel to the University of Tulsa Saturday for the Crown Hurricane Invitational. □

FOOTBALL

Lions to face old foe

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

In a season where the Missouri Southern Lions are looking toward a fresh start, they find themselves opening the 1995 campaign against an old foe.

The University of Central Arkansas comes into Fred G. Hughes Stadium Saturday fresh off a 27-20 victory over East Texas State University.

Last season, the Bears snatched a hard-fought 30-20 victory from Southern, which was missing six key players due to suspension.

Central Arkansas head coach Mike Isom said the two teams know little about each other because they play in different conferences.

"The unknown worries us," Isom said. "They saw us play last week, but we have not seen them. We haven't had the opportunity to see Missouri Southern at all and are planning from what we saw last year."

Southern head coach Jon Lantz hopes the home-field advantage serves the Lions Saturday. Southern went 5-0 in Hughes Stadium last year. The two teams played to a 14-14 tie in Joplin in 1993.

"We have not beat them in the two years we have played each other," Lantz said. "They are a lot like Pittsburg State because of their tradition and intimidating home field. I am sure they will have a typical UCA team."

Lantz said the Lions' intensity on and off the field this week has been a comforting factor heading into Saturday's game.

"We have been practicing exceptionally well, but it has been really tough on us heat-wise," he said. "I must say this has been the best four weeks of practice in my six years. They have worked hard day in and day out."

"These guys are really hungry right now."

One major question concerning the Lions' offense was the quarterback situation. Sophomore David Haug will start, and Lantz said he has been impressed with his work habits in practice.

"David has done extremely well," Lantz said. "The jury is still out on him yet, because he has never started in an actual game."

Something Lantz has stressed to his offense is to instill confidence in their leader, which was something he said was lacking last season.

"I think confidence will come from just thinking he can get the job done," he said. □

SOCCER



Junior forward Todd Eaton scrambles for the ball against Dallas Baptist University Saturday afternoon. The Lions won the game 2-0. Jose Suarez, looking on, scored two goals during the tournament.

Lions muscle up at home tourney

Southern's defense proves itself ready with two physically challenging wins

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Missouri Southern's soccer team bumped and pounded its way to its first two victories of the season last weekend at the Southern Shootout.

Saturday afternoon's game featured the Lions and Dallas Baptist. The Patriots were no match for the Lions' size. No matter how hard Dallas Baptist tried to push the Lions around, Southern wouldn't stand for it.

The Lions jumped out to a quick lead with sophomore forward Justin Buerge tapping a deflected ball in the net to go up 1-0.

The only real opportunities the Patriot squad had came from corner kicks, but most of those ended in goal saves or shanked passes.

Sophomore forward Jose Suarez handled the ball for the Lions' offense most of the game, getting a couple of close shots on goal before finding a chance to go one-on-one with Patriot goalie Justin Tomberlin.

With just Tomberlin between Suarez and the goal, the Lion forward faked a little causing the goalie to go to the ground early. Suarez scooped the ball over the fallen keeper and into the net, giving the Lions the game-ending score of 2-0.

The Lions' game was the second of the day for the Patriots, who lost 2-0 earlier in the day to Avila College.

"We need to work on our offense. Our main tactic is defense," Patriot coach David Balyeat said.

The Lions' defense got a chance to muscle up with Dallas Baptist. Freshman fullback Matt Demery got a little overzealous and found himself on the receiving end of a yellow card.

For the most part, though, the Lions' defense closed down the Baptist offense and proved it was ready for more competition.

"The defense has proved itself," Southern coach Jim Cook said.

More competition is what the Lions got on Sunday when they took on the Avila Golden Eagles.

The officials took heat from players, coaches, and spectators throughout the game for various calls.

"Every time the whistle blew, I had no idea what the call was going to be," Cook said.

Cook's views were echoed by his players, too.

"The officiating sucked. There was no consistency in the calls," Demery said.

After an early goal by Demery on a penalty kick, the Lions went up 2-0 on a Mark Turpen goal that was deflected to him after Suarez tried scoring.

Avila's Christopher Filbeck was red-carded seconds after the goal for spitting on Lion midfielder Brett Ulrich. For the rest of the game, the Golden Eagles played with only 10 players.

That turned out to be a blessing for Avila, which scored three goals before Southern could get back on the board with its third goal with 14 minutes to play.

Turpen headed the ball in on an indirect kick from senior fullback Grady Huke to tie the game 3-3.

"They're a physical team," Avila



Sophomore forward Justin Buerge battles for the ball in Saturday's game against Dallas Baptist. Buerge scored one goal in the 2-0 win.

coach Dylan Aiman said, "but any time you let a team with only 10 players score on you, you're not doing something well."

With only six minutes left in the game, Suarez stole a goal kick from the Eagles to score the go-ahead goal by slapping the ball off the right goal post from 45 yards away.

"We were the better team, but we've got our toughest game of the season coming up. We need to loosen up."

Jim Cook
Lion soccer coach

Sports Column

Soccer Lions 'good guys' last weekend

Sportsmanship has gone the way of chivalry, at least in the sport of soccer.

In an unparalleled display of cheap shots, deliberate fouls,

and constant bickering, the Missouri Southern Lions faced off with two teams resembling prison squads last weekend.

One team was the ever-so-unholy

Dallas Baptist, and the other was a group of Neo-Nazis from Avila College hell-bent on exterminating the Southern midfield.

Please don't get the idea the beloved Lions are completely innocent in all of this, but they are far less inscrutable than either of the aforementioned teams. The 1995 Southern soccer team is a group of men who will be hard-pressed to find another squad with its size. Ergo, when a Lion tries to slide-tackle an opposing team member, it looks like a freight train hitting a VW bug. However, if the opposite were to occur, the Lions stand a greater chance of being called for a foul. And that's exactly what happened Sunday against Avila.

There are always going to be a couple of elbows thrown to the midsection, a shirt tug now and then, a trip here and there. When these fouls start becoming flagrant and common, I see a problem.

A certain amount of restraint is necessary from all players, and coaches need to know when to pull the reins on their players. The coaches know their players better than anyone else. They know the players' tempers, psyches, emotion levels, and so on. If they see a player boiling over on the field, it's time to take the pan off the grill.

However, there is no one more responsible for the civility of the game than the referees. If I've heard refs say it once, I've heard them say it a thousand times: "Don't ever tell a player what the foul was, because if you call a trip and it was an elbow your credibility is lost."

The referees and line judges at Sunday's game not only lost their credibility 15 minutes into the game, they lost control of it. The refs kept explaining their actions, not only to the coaches, but to various players who asked about the calls.

Completely unacceptable! Were these refs trained in some Hanna-Barbera cartoon ref school by guys dressed in Barney Rubble costumes? Where did they ever learn to halt a game to tell a coach or player the root of their decision?

Referees should also monitor the players after the game and make sure the gentle nature of the sport is preserved. When a player refuses to shake a coach's hand after a game, the ref should be there to point out this specific character flaw to the appropriate coach.

Ultimately, though, the responsibility of the players' actions should fall on the players themselves.

Players, especially at the collegiate level, know the difference between right and wrong. If they play in a manner spectators and other players object to, then it becomes their choice on how to act.

Soccer is sport 51 percent of the time, and the other 49 percent is spent acting.

Everyone involved in the sport should know to act appropriately. □

J.L. Griffin

VOLLEYBALL

Southern set for tourney

After green and gold match the Lady Lions are ready for some 'excellent volleyball'

By NICK PARKER
SPORTS EDITOR

Cheers from the home crowd can motivate the Lady Lion volleyball team as much as any other practice.

Head volleyball coach Debbie Traywick said last week's intrasquad match was good preparation for Thursday's season opener against Ozark Christian College. Game time is 7 p.m. in Young Gymnasium.

"It was good to get the first-game jitters out of the way, and playing in front of a crowd was really helpful," she said. "We have been improving every day, but it is hard to say until we've played someone other than ourselves."

Blocking and defense have been the strong points for Missouri Southern during the

pre-season. Traywick said those are the two most improved facets since last year.

She said the two freshmen hitters, Lorin Pope and Erin Fielding, are coming along well although Pope has a slight shoulder strain.

Sophomore hitter Stephanie Gockley suffered a groin pull earlier in the pre-season workouts but is steadily recovering.

Ozark Christian College will be led by new head coach Leighann Johnson, who played for OCC in 1989 when the school won the National Bible College Championship.

OCC brings only three starters back from last season. Charles Williams, athletic director, said he hopes the small squad can be consistent and rise to the level of play needed to compete with Southern.

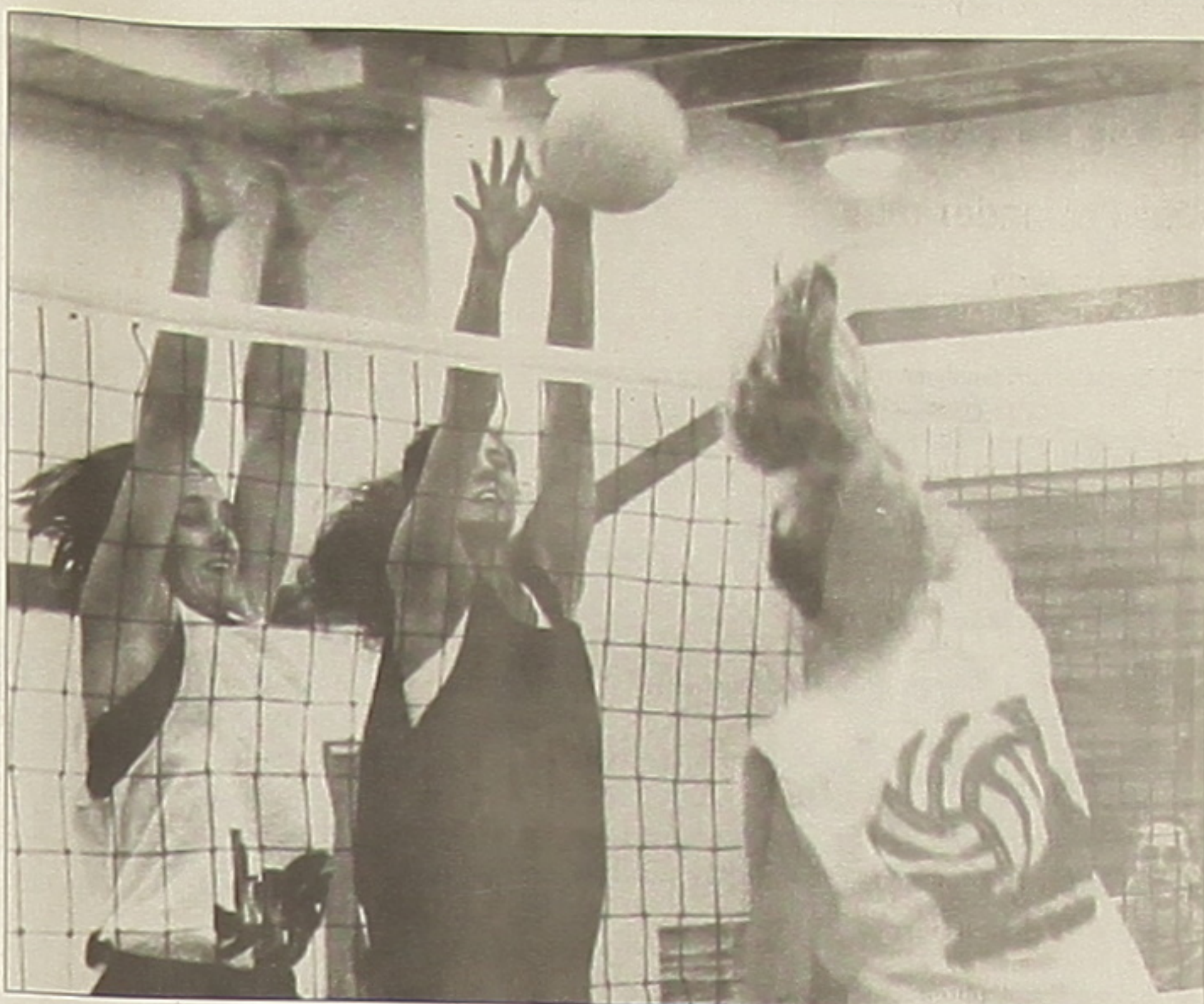
Angelo State, Central Oklahoma, Central Arkansas, and Mississippi University for Women will be at Southern to take part in the MSSC Lady Lion Classic Friday and Saturday.

Traywick said those games will be good and the competition tough.

"The tournament will have some excellent [NCAA] Division II volleyball," she said. "Central Oklahoma finished second in our region last year. It will definitely show us where we are right off the bat."

"The key for this weekend and really the season is passing," Traywick added. "If we can't pass we can't hit. The other key is consistency."

The Lady Lions will start junior Jenny Easter (S), sophomore Kristen Harris (MH/OH), junior Neely Burkhardt (OH), sophomore Sara Winkler (OH), senior Lyn Dee Harrelson (OH), and Gockley (MH). □



Junior Annie Richardson and sophomore Stephanie Gockley attempt to block a spike by junior Paige Maycock during a practice. Missouri Southern opens the season tonight against Ozark Christian College.



The Scoreboard



FOOTBALL

Preseason Poll

1. Pittsburg State (81)
2. Central Missouri State (64)
3. Missouri Western (62)
4. Northeast Missouri (58)
5. Missouri Southern (54)
6. Emporia State (34)
7. Missouri-Rolla (27)
8. Washburn (25)
9. Northwest Missouri (24)
10. Southwest Baptist (21)

VOLLEYBALL

Preseason poll

1. Central Missouri State (81)
2. Northeast Missouri State (71)

3. Emporia State (60)

4. Missouri Western State (57)
5. Missouri Southern (55)
6. Northwest Missouri State (37)
7. Pittsburg State (34)
8. Missouri-St. Louis (27)
9. Washburn (19)
10. Southwest Baptist (9)

SOCCER

Preseason poll

1. Missouri-St. Louis
2. Northeast Missouri
3. Missouri Southern
4. Missouri-Rolla
5. Lincoln
6. Southwest Baptist

CROSS COUNTRY

MSSC Invitational

Saturday's results

- Men—1, Jon Wilks, MSSC, 15:38.7.
2, Carlos Vazquez, KC, 15:39.4. 3, Aaron Locke, PSU, 15:44.3. 4, Josh Rogers, MSSC, 15:49.2. 5, Jami Clark, PSU, 16:09.0.
6, Derek Russell, MSSC, 16:15.2. 7, Jamie Burnham, unattached, 16:32.8. 8, Brett Bundy, SW, 16:40.3. 9, Kevin Jukes, PSU, 16:54.2. 10, Dusty Franks, MSSC, 16:58.8.
11, Brent McGhee, PSU, 17:04.5. 12, Mark Williams, MXXC, 17:06.5. 13, Jerome Batson, MSSC, 17:09.08. 14, Justin Brenner, PSU, 17:22.1. 15, Andy Bassett, PSU, 17:40.2.
16, Reid Cranmer, SW, 17:50.2.

- 17, Neal Blackburn, SW, 18:01.04. 18, Jim Lowary, MSSC, 18:03.1. 19, Vince Minor, KC, 18:40.3. 20, Rob Neal, KC, 19:27.6.

- 21, Tracy Peterson, KC, 20:42.3. 22, Jake Mayhugh, KC, 22:06.7.

- Women—1, Rhonda Cooper, MSSC, 11:34.2. 2, Melanie Enneking, PSU, 11:51.7. 3, Amanda Harrison, MSSC, 12:00.6. 4, Sonia Blacketer, MSSC, 12:04.9. 5, Wendy Platt, PSU, 12:06.3.
6, Kathy Williams, MSSC, 12:38.0. 7, Cassie Moss, MSSC, 12:41.7. 8, Julie Heiskell, PSU, 12:42.1. 9, Skyler Faulkner, PSU, 12:50.4. 10, Jenny Kreidler, PSU, 12:51.2.

- 11, Julie Gruver, PSU, 13:01.0. 12, Kim Sneddon, MSSC, 13:10.4. 13, Rachel Reed, SW, 14:13.7. 14, Rebecca Patterson, KC, 13:20.8. 15, Kilee Staples, SW, 13:30.1.

- 16, Chris Heinicke, MSSC, 13:38.9.

- 17, Natalie Loughmiller, PSU, 13:41.1. 18, Lisa Martin, SW, 13:18.5. 19, Vanessa Camacho, PSU, 15:05.6. 20, Marlainna Blenn, KC, 15:12.5. 21, Lori Rubach, SW, 15:30.5.

THIS WEEK

Football

Saturday—
Central Arkansas at
Southern, 7 pm.

Volleyball

Thursday—
Ozark Christian College at
Southern, 7 pm.

Friday and Saturday—
MSSC Lady Lions Classic,
TBA.
Wednesday—
Southern at Pittsburg
State, 7 pm.

Soccer
Friday and Saturday—
Drury College Classic, 6
pm.
Monday—
Southern at Southwest
Missouri, 4:30 pm.
Wednesday—
Drury at Southern, 5 pm.

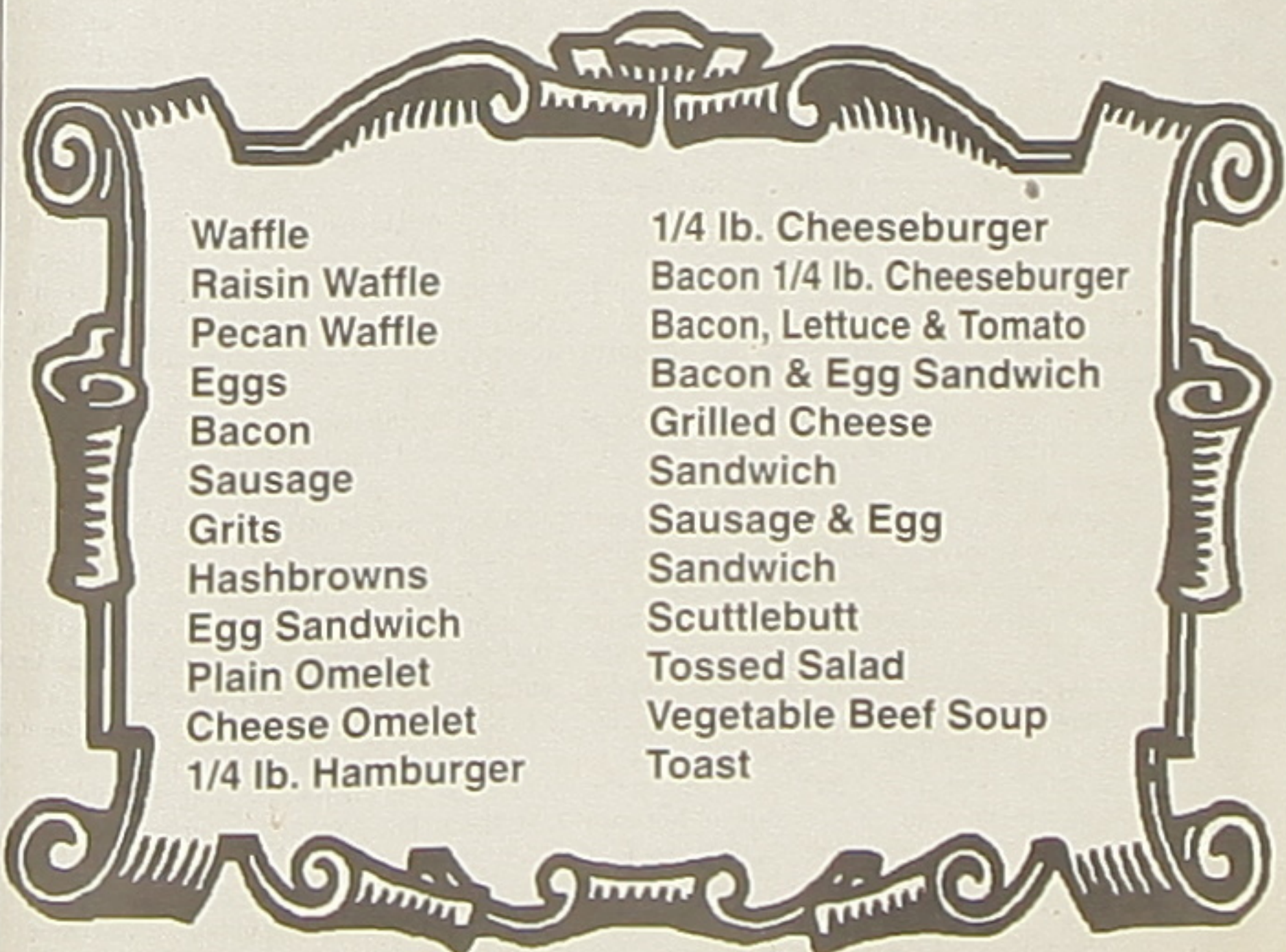
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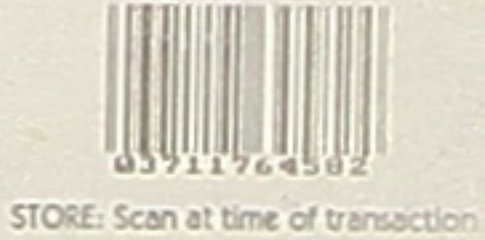


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Greyhound racing takes off in 4-state area Dogs retire to happy homes

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Hundreds of spectators pour daily into Camptown Park, in Frontenac, Kan., to wager on which of eight greyhounds will come in win, place, or show.

But what happens to these dogs who attract droves of eager gamblers?

A greyhound litter averages eight puppies, and the dogs spend most of their lives in the company of other dogs.

Young greyhounds are given concentrated attention and are handled as much as possible.

Paul Aruda, director of racing at Camptown Park, said the dogs' training begins as they approach their first birthday.

"It's done on farms," he said. "They are taught to chase a lure, and eventually they progress to a racetrack. They'll chase anything that moves."

Aruda said there are approximately 900 dogs at Camptown Park, and each dog races an average of twice a week.

"We contract 15 kennels, and those kennels lease dogs from private owners," he said.

Aruda said the dogs are adopted out to families when they can no longer perform.

"The dogs run until they grade off, or they get too old, or they have an injury," he said. "When they can no longer compete in the lowest grade, we retire them."

The average age of retirement is 2 to 4 years old, and greyhounds have life expectancy of 12 years.

Rinda Kerns, adoption director, said greyhounds are always available for adoption. The fee is \$100.

"The dogs go through an evaluation," she said. "We keep them as long as their times stay up. The dogs are here to race. If they don't qualify for times, we adopt them out."

Camptown Park handles an average of five adoptions a week and has

placed approximately 30 dogs since June 1.

"These are small towns," Kerns said. "It's easy to place the dogs in good homes. But we're pretty selective on whom we adopt to. We're trying to protect them."

Aruda said veterinarians are popular adopters because greyhounds are universal donors.

"Pets and kids are the first two factors we look at in a possible home," Kerns said. "We do spade and neuter the dogs and they have all their shots. If you adopt from us, you will get a healthy

dog." Kerns said there is no waiting list for adoption and that potential "parents" are shown a video about the greyhounds.

"We also check up on them periodically," she said. "We have a few of them in nursing homes, and if the new owners have problems, they give us a call." □

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Rinda Kerns



Camptown Park employees escort the greyhound dogs down the track to the starting gate prior to race time.

Becoming a better bettor

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Betting on greyhound races can be an exhilarating experience, but, when done smartly, it also can be a money-making experience.

Some bettors complicate their bets, examining every detail before placing their money on the table.

Others simply place their bets because of the color or the look of a certain greyhound, which can be surprisingly effective in a sport where anything can happen.

A potential bettor has several options pertaining to what type of bet he or she will place.

The most popular bet is the trifecta. A trifecta is a bet where the bettor chooses three greyhounds that finish first, second and third in exact order. The minimum bet is \$2.

The trifecta bets, as well as most of the other bets, include several variations.

One variation of a trifecta is to box the greyhounds.

A \$1 trifecta box is when the bettor selects three (or more) greyhounds to finish first, second, and third.

Because this is a multiple wager, the dogs can finish in any order, as long as the greyhounds chosen fill the top three spots. To box three greyhounds cost \$6 because a bettor is placing six \$1 bets.

For instance, if a bettor boxed the 2, 3, and 5 greyhounds, the dogs could finish (1) 2-3-5; (2) 2-5-3; (3) 3-2-5; (4) 3-5-2; (5) 5-2-3; or (6) 5-3-2.

If a bettor were to box four greyhounds, the cost of the bet would be \$24 dollars because there are 24 different combinations that four dogs can finish first, second, and third.

Another type of bet is called a trifecta key. A \$1 trifecta key is when a bettor selects a key greyhound that will finish first and then selects two (or more) dogs that will finish in second and third.

This is also a multiple wager because a bettor is actually placing two separate \$1 bets. Cost: \$2.

Another type of bet is a quiniela (pronounced

qui-nella). A quiniela is a little bit less complicated than a trifecta because a bettor selects two greyhounds instead of three, but, consequently, the payoffs aren't as big.

A bettor has the option to box a quiniela by selecting three dogs, two of which must finish first and second.

If a bettor quiniela boxed the 2-3-5, the greyhounds could finish (1) 2-3; (2) 3-2; (3) 2-5; (4) 3-5; (5) 5-2; or (6) 5-3. Any two of the three chosen dogs could finish first and second in any order.

With either the trifecta or the quiniela, the bettor has the option to wheel his or her bet. The bettor chooses one dog to finish first and then sets up a wheel so that every other greyhound in the race can finish behind the winner and the bettor wins.

The quiniela wheel costs \$14 and the trifecta wheel cost \$42.

Another type of bet, the superfecta, is essentially the same as the other two bets, but it involves betting on four greyhounds instead of two or three.

Nick Carlin, Camptown Park's director of mutuels, said different bettors use different systems.

"We get people out here that bet on a dog because it has a curly tail," Carlin said. "A lot of people go by previous times."

Carlin said that bettors that go by previous times can be misled because track conditions and post positions can vary from race to race.

"The class and early speed are the two things I look for," Carlin said. "The biggest misconception is that bettors think they are betting against the track, but they are really betting against themselves."

Vicki Johnson, director of group sales, said there is plenty of help available for newcomers.

"We get a lot of newcomers," Johnson said. "We are able to help them understand their bet and our mutuel tellers help them with any questions they might have during the course of the night."

Johnson also said that groups of 20 or more will be taken through the track's Betsmart Clinic. □



Bettors Pamela Webster (standing left) and Carole Webster (standing right) from Iola, Kan., form a mother and daughter tandem in the bettors' circle. The two won \$14.80 each after betting on greyhound No. 2 across the board Saturday.